

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

September 17, 2001
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DAN CLAWSON, Council President; KEOLKER-WHEELER, TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER; RANDY CORMAN; TONI NELSON.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER DON PERSSON. CARRIED.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; RUSSELL WILSON, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; SERGEANT CHARLES MARSALISI, COMMANDER FLOYD ELDRIDGE, ACTING DEPUTY CHIEF KEVIN MILOSEVICH, CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON, Police Department.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Community Event: Return to
Renton Car Show Contribution

Police Chief Garry Anderson introduced Ben and Nancy Remak and their daughter Elsa, organizers of the annual Return to Renton Car Show. Ms. Remak announced that since the first event in 1991, total proceeds in the amount of \$51,902.53 have been donated to the Police Department's youth education programs. She presented a check in the amount of \$9,200 to Chief Anderson, which represented the proceeds from the 2001 event, along with a \$500 donation provided by Mr. Remak's employer, State Farm Insurance, for his volunteer work. Mr. Remak thanked the chief and his staff for supporting the event and making it a success.

Planning: IM Zone Revisions to
Accommodate Airport Related
Uses

Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman reported on the proposed revisions to the Industrial Medium (IM) zone regarding airport-related uses. He explained that introducing airport-related use provisions to the IM zone at the airport would be beneficial in that it would help prevent the introduction of non-airport-related uses at the airport and would restrict undesirable airport-related uses in areas of the City which have IM zoning. Stating that he met with airport tenants today to discuss the proposed zoning code changes, he indicated that the tenants now have a better understanding of the City's intentions, and he relayed their desire to be involved with the process. Mr. Zimmerman said that this item will be brought before Council for consideration within the next few weeks prior to expiration of the airport lease moratorium on October 31, 2001.

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler asked that all options considered by staff regarding this item be forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee in addition to staff's recommendation. Mayor Tanner emphasized that this is a City Code related matter, not a policy, and he expressed his desire that decisions related to this matter remain with the hearing examiner.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2001 and beyond. Items noted included:

- ✱ The Renton Community Center will be installing a new registration software

program that will allow participants to register for classes via the Internet or touch-tone phone. The new process will be ready for the winter program registration in early December.

- * The Valley Community Players' musical show *I Do! I Do!* opens Friday, September 21st, at Carco Theater and runs through October 14th. For ticket information, call (425) 226-5190.
- * The I-405/SR-167 flyover ramp ceremony at the Holiday Inn has been cancelled for this Thursday at 2:30 p.m. and will be rescheduled.

Mr. Covington expressed the City's condolences to the victims and their families from the terrorist attacks against the United States which occurred on September 11th. He thanked all of those who participated in the Memorial Service held on Friday, September 14th, particularly Boy Scout Troop #464 for placing flags around the City; VFW Post #1263 for presenting the flag at the service; and area churches for assisting the community in dealing with this trying situation.

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler asked the City Clerk to respond to an electronic letter from a Orman and Judy Claxton thanking the Council for flying flags from light poles in downtown Renton, and explain that it was Boy Scout Troop #464 that initially started the flag flying project.

Mr. Covington also warned of fraudulent solicitations for donations on behalf of the victims, and cautioned citizens to report any suspicions to the Police Department.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Richter -
Meadow Ave N Improvements

Marge Richter, 300 Meadow Ave. N., Renton, 98055, expressed her appreciation for street improvements recently completed on Meadow Ave. N. She also complimented the Centennial Committee for its work on the Centennial birthday bash celebration held on September 6th, saying that it was a wonderful celebration.

Citizen Comment: Pahalke -
IM Zone Revisions to
Accommodate Airport Related
Uses

Diane Pahalke, Operator of Pro-Flight Aviation at Renton Airport, 325 Edmonds Ave. SE, Renton, 98056, thanked the City for the information presented at the meeting held today regarding the proposed revisions to the Industrial Medium zone to accommodate airport-related uses, and she stressed that the airport tenants want to participate in the revision process.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Minutes of September
10, 2001

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Approval of Council minutes of September 10, 2001. Council concur.

CAG: 01-151, Maplewood
Golf Course Regrade Project,
City Transfer

City Clerk reported bid opening on 9/11/2001 for CAG-01-151, Maplewood Golf Course Regrade Project; eight bids; engineer's estimate \$139,155.20; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to low bidder, City Transfer, Inc., in the amount of \$132,518.40. The purpose of the project is to protect the golf course and adjacent Maplewood neighborhood from Cedar River flooding. Council concur.

Police: Dept of Justice Grant
for School Resource Officers

Police Department requested acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$183,066 from the U.S. Department of Justice (approximately 75%) and the Renton School District (approximately 25%) for two additional full-time school resource officers for three years, 2002 – 2004. Council concur.

Utility: NE 7th St/Monroe Ave
NE Stormwater Replacement

Utility Systems Division requested that funds from the remaining 2001 and proposed 2002 Surface Water Utility Capital Improvement Program Budget be

Project Funding

used to fund the NE 7th St. and Monroe Ave. NE Stormwater Replacement Project, since construction will span across two budget years (total project budget is \$1,810,000). The bid opening for the project is scheduled for 9/18/2001. Refer to Utilities Committee.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS**Committee of the Whole**

King County: Council
Redistricting

Council President Clawson presented a report regarding the redistricting of the King County Council. The Committee of the Whole authorizes the Mayor and Council President to attend the scheduled public meetings this week and request that the King County Council Redistricting Committee adjust the maps which redraw the boundaries of the King County Council Districts to reflect the City of Renton's preference to remain in both the 5th and 6th King County Council Districts. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Vacation: Timing of Street
Vacation Decision & Related
Land Use Action, Code
Revisions

Council President Clawson presented a report regarding street vacation procedure revisions. Current City Code requires a final decision by Council on proposed street vacations prior to any public hearing on the related land use issue. Council has expressed interest in revising this prerequisite to allow for public discussion and formal review of specific project issues before making a final decision on the associated street vacation request.

The revision in procedure would allow for a better combination of the processes and result in a complete review of the street vacation, its impacts, and the impacts of the project with and without the street vacation. Staff also recommended City Code be revised to require additional public notice for street vacation requests of developed streets. Additional staff recommendation includes City Code revision to allow the City to receive up to the full appraisal value for vacated street right-of-way property it has owned for 25 years or more.

The Committee of the Whole recommended that Council authorize procedure modification on proposed street vacation projects to allow for public discussion and formal review of specific project issues before making final decisions on the associated request. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Community Event: Memorial
Service (US Terrorist Attack)

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler expressed her appreciation to Council President Dan Clawson and City staff for their involvement in organizing and participating in the Memorial Service held on Friday, September 14th, in remembrance of those affected by the terrorist attacks on the United States. She also thanked citizens for attending the ceremony.

Community Services:
Highlands Neighborhood
Center Arson

Councilwoman Briere asked the City to renew its efforts to publicize the \$10,000 reward leading to the apprehension of those that caused the fire at the Highlands Neighborhood Center in 1998, and encouraged citizens to come forward if they have any information.

Finance Committee

City Clerk: Paperless
Technology Planning

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute a consultant agreement with CRE8, Inc., in the total amount of \$65,000 for paperless technology planning and process

Consultant Contract, CRE8 improvements for the Police Department, Municipal Court, City Clerk Division, Development Services Division, and Fire Department land use permitting; and development of an application design document and assistance with vendor selection for the City Clerk Division. **MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Citizen Comment: Haugan – Centennial Celebration Councilwoman Nelson read a letter from Sidney M. Haugan, 1414 Monroe Ave. NE, Apt. 219, Renton, 98056, a centenarian honored at the City's Centennial celebration, thanking the City for inviting him to the celebration and for the mementos he received.

Community Services: Roxy Theater Sign Update In response to prior Council request, CAO Jay Covington reported that the cost to remove the Roxy Theater Sign is \$7,200. Pointing out that there is a lack of suitable long-term storage for the sign at any City facility, he stated that National Sign Company can store the sign for \$250 per month. Mr. Covington indicated that the funds would be taken from the year-end fund balance.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE REMOVAL OF THE ROXY THEATER SIGN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,200 AND APPROVE SPENDING \$250 PER MONTH TO HAVE THE SIGN STORED.*

Councilmembers expressed their concern regarding the safe storage of the sign; and asked that the administration inspect the location where the sign is to be stored to make sure it is appropriate.

***MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance #4917

Planning: Boat & Recreational Vehicle Storage Zoning Text Amend (CA Zone)

The following ordinance was presented for second and final reading and adoption:

An ordinance was read amending Sections 4-2-060.I, 4-2-070.L, and 4-2-120.A, of Chapter 2, Land Use Districts, and Section 4-11-190 of Chapter 11, Definitions, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by amending the Commercial Arterial (CA) zone to allow boat and recreational vehicle storage. **MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

Metro: Renton Transit Center

Council President Clawson acknowledged the efforts and hard work of City staff for the past five years towards the completion of the Renton Transit Center. He indicated that the Transit Center will be an asset to the community for many decades to come.

Community Event: Rentennial Production

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler asked that Council be given a schedule of dates and times for cablecast of the Rentennial production on Channel 21.


Planning: Growth Management Act

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE TOPIC OF GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATION
UPDATES TO THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADJOURN.
CARRIED. Time: 8:25 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marilyn J. Petersen", is written over a horizontal line.

MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
September 17, 2001